"Little" Reformers

The council of one hundred Little Re publicans of Philadelphia had a famous meeting yesterday which is very amusing indeed to read about. The net result of the observation taken by the public on their action is that they were very apmajority were Republicans and reformers second, and the reformers' arms and their movement, tion. if they would only nominate Stokley for mayor. The idea is that the Republican party convention will adopt the reformers' ticket, root and branch. If it does, the measure of reform accomplished will be just what the two honest reformers on the ticket can accomplish; for there is no reasonable hope of anything of the kind from Stokley. The mass of people will thoroughly sympathize with the opinion of one of the speakers at the council meeting of the hundred, who vowed that he could not believe in the well-established in his crookedness to be straightened by human power. He believed the day of miracles had passed and that Stokley will not be instantly converted to goodness, after the fashion of Saul. "I have no faith" he declared "that anything can work the conversion God;" and he evidently believed that the hanging over him? Little Hundred committee was not equal to the job of anointing so badsmelling a Pilgrim as Stokley. Protestations of goodness and pledges emphatic and many came in from Stokley, and mands. one of his enthusiastic friends declared in the warmth of his championship that he would pledge himself to anything. where at the reformers laughed, but never- | devoted to the education of teachers. theless accepted the eager pledger as their candidate, and put the banner of reform in his filthy hands.

The consequence will be that the regular Republican convention will nominate Stokley. That they will support the closely followed by sumptuous editions of meet in Gettysburg on the third Wednesjust now. The Democratic convention ought to nominate Caven and formers will have a chance to elect non-partisan, straightout, uncompromising reform candidates, in regard to whom they can have no shadow of doubt.

The Senatorial Scramble.

There is reason to believe that the design to elect Hoyt to the United States Senate has been abandoned. He was thought of by the Cameron people as their next selection to Quay. The latter ment. wants it and in point of faithful service! some other aspirant so as to make Quay's until she is sick of it. election, it being understood all the time that McManes will keep hands off the senatorial tight. It is reasonable to assume that Cameron can get no assurances from Garfield and he must take his chances on the election of a single United States senator. These he cannot afford to risk on Quay. The riot bill jobbery is too fresh and too offensive. Nor is Hoyt any stronger, materially. than Quay. He might pick up some votes that Quay could not, but he has the same weakness as a candidate, and his chances are crippled by the defections from him of the Lazerne and Lackawanna delegations. Both Quay and Hoyt seem to be laid aside for the present and the next person in the line of succession to Cameron's favor is Henry W. Oliver, a rich Pittsburgher, who was at the head of the late Republican electoral ticket. He has several points to recommend him to Cameron. He will not outshine him on the floor. He is loyal to THE FAMILY. He is rich and the campaign against Grow is just the sort to be won by a lavish use of money. By a shrewd maneavre he has had the Allegheny delegation, with at least fifteen votes in the net, committed to support the choice of the majority. Oliver can get that majority and thus the whole vote, which will be a handsome send-off. The present effort is to break up the local strength of Grow by bringing out candidates with as his senatorial candidate against Grow. a merely local following; this is progressing at a lively rate. In central Pennsylvania Mr. Hewit's canvass for speaker is the first consideration. He and he starts at the head of the field. has been recognized as a friend of Grow, Hoyt declines, and McManes promises to found in Collins's pockets. but the effect of his election, now very keep hands off. But here comes the Harcertainly anticipated, will be neutralized risburg Telegraph with the insinuating the military clubs, are boiling over with excitement in consequence of the receipt oppose him. Mr. Hewit is not the ley Quay paid out of his own pocket \$30,man to forget such generosity. If Mr. 069.94 to the People's bank, of Philadel-Grow expects to be elected he has to dis- phia, in liquidation of the overdrawn :c- Boers had captured the town of Heidelplay signal generalship and for that he count of the Republican state committee. has never shown any great capacity. The campaign during which this extraor-His opponents are well satisfied that his dinary expenditure occurred was that friends shall adhere to him; for they feel which resulted in the election of Hoyt to that Grow can be beaten more easily the gevernorship." If Oliver is expected to than a new man upon whom his strength | foot that bill too, let it be presented be-

THE degradation of Pennsylvania pol-

might be got to rally.

in their contemplated organization of the I shall soon visit professionally, to watch stealing" are not yet numbered.

THERE seems to be no doubt about it that Foster withdrew from the senatorsolicitation if not upon the guarantee of propriately formed by Little and are being equally well provided for. After very little reformers with very little the nomination of Garfield at Chicago sense. They nominated two good reform over Sherman's disappointment the pres-Republicans for two of the offices, and ident-elect was put into an embarrassing finished up their work by putting on position by the suspicions of his treach-William S. Stokley for mayor. Stokley, ery. He could only relieve himself by rewho has been the city's mayor during taining Sherman in the favor of his ad- York. all these days whose evils reform is now | ministration. He could not keep him in so earnestly invoked to redress! How the treasury without risking Conkling's on earth could a reform committee be mortal enmity. His easiest way out of persuaded to nominate such a cold-blood- the dilemma was to do as he has done, ed enemy of reform? It seems to have to work on Foster's good nature and his been owing to the fact that future expectations. He thus saves Sherman's feelings and avoids an early 'break with Conkling. He proves his own moral the Republican ring appears to have cowardice and disappoints any civil serpersuaded these semi-reformers that the vice reform expectations that may have whole dirty shop of them would fall into been formed regarding his administra-

THAT is an interesting story we publish to-day about the First national bank of New York and its connection with John Sherman. It is not a new tale, the substance of it having long ago been communicated to the public. The fact of John Sherman's accumulation of great wealth while serving the public on a salary, for many years, that has not covered his expenses, is one with which the people are well acquainted. It is more than intimated in this narrative of the regeneration of so old a political bummer | Sen that he got a share of the profits of as Stokley. He thought that he was too this bank, which he has favored accordingly. That is a libelous intimation, and there would seem to be a loud call on John Sherman, if he would preserve a

of a Pilgrim Rooster but the grace of with this unchallenged imputation ear rings, set with valuable diamonds.

MINOR TOPICS.

FAIR rent, free sale and fixity of tenure, are the fullness of Irish Land Leaguers' de-

THE share of South Carolina in the Peabody educational fund is hereafter to be

CHRISTMAS shopping is very lively in the cities. The taste for handsome and ex- lands of a place where the lockup is kept pensive presents develops rapidly. Ex- warm enough. ndard baoks

CHRISTMAS falls on a convenient day of engaged in perfecting the arrangements the week this year. It is well to have the Hunter, and a good Democrat, like Dick Vaux, for mayor. Then the honest re- holiday. Next year it will occur on Stiles, M. D., committed snieide by hang-Sunday and if any secular day is to be ob. ing in Conshohocken. The doctor last served by all means let it be Saturday.

> DAKOTA wants to become a state, or at least Mr. Bennett, her delegate in Congress is anxious that a part of her should become one. His idea is that she should be cut in two, one half coming into the Union diet guilty of murder in the first degree. and the other remaining out in the cold shadow of a territorial form of govern-

to the family he deserves it. He! Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, of New could be more useful to Cameron and less York, who has given away \$600,000 for trough contained enough water for the anin his way than any other colleague he benevolent purposes during the last six- imal. While he was stooping the cow could have. If Cameron were sure of a teen years, now says that she believes she raised her head, and as she did so thrust seat in the cabinet he would doubtless has done more harm than good. She says strain a point to elect Quay, and had he that the poor are of two kinds-"God's the farmer's right eye. Mr. Lentz is not afternoon Judge Livingston delivered a two places to all instead of one there is, poor and the devil's poor"-and that she expected to recover from the terrible little doubt that he could combine with has been victimized by the latter class wound.

for the supreme bench. It remarks that with the decision of particular questions which may come before the supreme court leading state Democrats are members. of the United States, but also suggests a fatal doubt as to his possession of those well-balanced faculties, that judicial mind, which are indispensable qualifica tions for membership of the tribunal of Scots Guards sailed for Ireland yesterday.

THE work of the "committee of one vice in Chinese waters. hundred"Republican reformers in Philadelphia in progress for months past, reached its culmination yesterday. At a meeting in the board of trade room, begining at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon and lasting over three hours, they put in nomination their candidate for the three important city offices to be filled at the February election. Joseph L. Caven for city solicitor and John Hunter for receiver of taxes were nominated unanimously. William S. Stokley for mayor was nominated by a vote of 52 to 30, and here it was that all the controversy and difficulty and sharp words and hot feeling came

THEY say Don Cameron has finally agreed to take Harry Oliver, of Pittsburgh. It will take a hat full of Oliver's money to drunken brawl at Carthage, New York, beat Grow, but the move to capture Al on Saturday night. Carlin had sworn out legheny county for him has "worked."

ities is happily illustrated by the fact Slim as she is, she is unwilling to be made general notice. He were a neat and be-railroad travel. All the trains from the that the canvass for the chief clerkship of the next House is between Sam Losch and Harry Huhn. Both are well known this potics on unbridled precedence, she serves this potics on unbridled precedence. He wore a near and because and carried gracefully a stiff black hat. His tread was measured and leisurely, and in crossing a space of thirty feet he was fully as many seconds. The deals of bis habitues of Capitol Hil. They know all this notice on unbridled preachers : "Any The desk of his old friend David Davis was ratio. the ins and outs of the state service at person, be he preacher or otherwise, who the first for him to reach, and there he Harrisburg, and either if elected will attempts from this time forth to blacken stopped for a stately bow and courteous put the opportunities of his position my reputation by proclaiming and circulatwhere they will do the most good. Mr. ing false reports about my life, of which the chamber. At Mr. I must be a lad residing on Middle street and emwhere they will do the most good. Mr. ing false reports about my life, of which the chamber. At Mr. Lamar's desk there ployed at the Conestoga cork factory, had men gallant, the music fine, the dancing Hewit, who is the leading candidate for he knows and can know nothing, will (I was an exchange of freezing glances. Mr. the middle finger of his left hand badly graceful, the refreshment choice and plenspeaker, as a very decent man, though give him fair warning) be summarily Blaine slid into a cloak when the pageant slided by getting it in contact with one of tiful, the behavior of all unexceptional, somewhat "devilish sly," but the na. row. brought into court to answer to a criminal approached his way. Mr. Bayard was in the knives of the machinery.

fore the senatorial election.

Losch and Harry Huhn, shows that the this kind I have already engaged two sten-Republicans are shameless beyond blush ographers, in two of the large cities which House, and that the years of "good for the slightest breath of slander coming hour. from any pulpit, and take a verbatim report of the reckless words uttered. There is no reason why a slander from the pulpit should be outside the jurisdiction of ial contest in Ohio at Garfield's urgent the law any more than a slander from another quarter."

PERSONAL.

JOHN F. STEINMAN, was ninety-one years old on Sunday. Mile. Bernhardt's receipts in Boston

were \$49,157, as against \$51,867 in New

Gen. Robert Toombs, of Georgia, has given a thousand acres of Texas land to aid in founding a university in that state. SAMUEL B. DICK of Meadville is the last dark horse entered in the senatorial race. Keep it dark.

Rev. Dr. C.F. McCAULEY, of the Second Reformed church, Reading, has had a celebration the silver wedding of himself His infirmity comes on him usually after and congregation.

Congressman O'BRIEN, of New York, has instituted a suit for absolute divorce from his mouth, nose, eyes, stomach, and from his wife, to whom he has been mar- even from the bladder and kidneys. No ried twenty-three years.

Mrs. BERGMANN, the young lady who created so much excitement in New York, temporary check the flow. He is mentally has consented to return to Philadelphia on bright, and his father, mother, brothers, condition that she will not be forced to and sisters, are strong and healthy. The live with her husband.

Mrs. Scott Siddons, the actress, won the prize at a private shooting match re cently held in St. Louis. She used a heavy rifle, and scored sixty-nine points out of a possible seventy-two.

At the dinner given on Wednesday evening at the White House to General and Mrs. GRANT the latter were numerous and valuable diamonds, with a dress of elegant wine-colored velvet trimmed with attention, a policy for \$6,000 was taken realism that wrought the audience up point lace. On her arms were several shred of fair fame, to call the Sun to ac- bracelets, including one gold band four inches broad, without any stones in it. Can the Ohio Legislature afford to In her hair sparkled a rosette and a but elect him to the United States Senate terfly of diamonds and in her ears long

STATE ITEMS.

John Drexel, Pittsburgh; suicide by hanging; whisky and trouble, Snow sweepers, drawn by ten horses, were kept flying over the Philadelphia passenger railway track last evening. Owing to inefficiency of enumerators in

McKean county, a new enumeration of the census will have to be made. An inmate of the Gallitzia lockup in a drunken spree set fire to his bed of straw to warm himself and woke on the border

for the meeting. Chas, T. Rodenbaugh, aged thirty-two saw him at 9 o'clock, and his death was Given, cetiorari, Judge Livingston delivnot discovered until noon, by which time

the body was cold. The Snyder county jury in the case of justice. Israel Erb, indicted with Emanuel Eitinger and Jonathan Moyer for the murder of Gretchen Kinzler, has rendered a ver-A jury has been drawn in the case against

September term of the same crime. William Lentz, an aged farmer of Lower Merion. Montgomery county, went into a cow's stall the other day to see that the one of her horns into his mouth, the point

A meeting of prominents Democrats was held last night, in parlor C of the Con-THE New York Ecening Post bitterly op- timental hotel, to form a social and intelposes the suggestion of Stanley Matthews lectual club where Democrats from the North and South can meet. Mr. Brinton Cox occupied the chair; Mr. J. Gay Gordon "the unsoundness of Mr. Matthews on acted as secretary. Seventy-six names financial subjects not only marks him as have already been enrolled, and an effort an altogether improper man to be trusted will be made to obtain a club house on Walnut street, between Thirteenth and Sixteenth. Wallace, Randall and other

----LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.

Three hundred police officers have been sent to Ireland. The volunteers of the The Russian government has ordered twelve torpedo cutters to be built for ser-

The score at the close of play in the Slosson-Vignaux match in Paris last night was Vignaux 600 and Slosson 322.

A disatrous fire has occurred at Ran-The damage is estimated at nineteen lacs of rupees. The principal fire engines completely broke down.

Diphtheria continues to hold its own in Brooklyn. There were one hundred and fifty cases reported last week and fifty

aged sixty years, while killing hogs ruptured a blood vessel and died instantly. He leaves a wife and four children. John C. Calhoun, a grandson of the great South Carolina senator and an inmate of the insane asylum at Stockton, Cal., was drowned on Saturday in the vi cinity of San Francisco. He was a disso

lute loafer. James Collins was shot twice and seri onsly wounded by James Carlin, in a a warrant against Collins and a man named Burns, for assault with intent to kill. Carlin's pocket-book and whisky flask were

The London clubs, and more especially by the colonial authorities of a telegram from Colonel Sir George Pomeroy Colley announcing that a force of 5,000 Transvaal burg and founded a new republic with a Boer, Mr. Kruger, as president.

ENTER CONKLING.

The Magnificent Stalks the Senate Chamber World's Washington Correspondence. He came in through the private lobby, which necessitated his crossing the wide word. Then he passed to the next desk

ing of the choice for clerk down to Sam | charge. To fasten the proofs in cases of his committee room. Subsequently Mr. Bayard returned to the chamber, but Mr Conkling had passed his desk and Mr. Bayard did not call him back. The entertainment lasted the best part of half an

> Modern Medical Miracies and Mysteries. Mrs. Timothy Keighron, the wife of prominent resident of Petrolia, had for years been afflicted with distressing convulsions. They were periodical in their appearance, attacking Mrs. Keighron regeach month. They always seized her in the night, suddenly and without any warning symptoms. They were characterized by hours of writhing torture to the unfor-nate lady. In July last Father McCarthy, of whose church Mrs. Keighron is a member, received a package of mortar from Knock, Ireland. He gave a portion of it to Mrs. Keighren, with instructions to pulverize it and drink it in holy water.

> She did so. It is stated that from that time there has been no return of the fits. Willie Crawford, aged seventeen years, son of William Crawford, captain of a Chieago tugboat, has for seven years been sweating blood at times, and lately has had severe attacks, which alarmed his parents. taking cold. Great black patches appear on his body, from which blood drops the size of a pinhead exude. Blood flows pain accompanies these discharges, but they make his blood thick and weaken him. Sudden fright or excitement will physicians who have taken an interest in his case propose sending him to Edinburgh and London, for examination by the academy of surgeons.

Suspicious Insurance, years. He was a soldier in the war of

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

An Olden Tide.

For the INTELLIGENCEE. O sumptuous night of tender light! Low rings thy herald 'round the sea, There swells a tide I thought had died Forevermore away from me.

I see that face of lustrons grace. Wild-swept by tangled locks of gold, I kiss my shrine her breast divine. That hallowed me within its told

But O that pall, that ebon pall? A lurid wave lit far the main-I only knew those eyes of blue Would never light mine own again.

Yet now I feel there shall reveal, Whene'er this white tide lifts the sea, crown of gold, a tender That once was all my heaven to me. GEORGE B. MIFFLIN. Columbia, Pa.

ARGUMENT COURT. .

Opinion, Current Business, &c. In the case of S. H. Purple vs. W. B. ered an opinion sustaining the exceptions and setting aside the proceedings of the

A rule for a new trial was granted in the case of the Hanover Junction railroad company vs. Michael Moore. In the case of Maggie Gundaker, vs John F. Gundaker, subpæna for a divorce,

loyer. Ettinger was convicted at the the court ordered the defendant to pay the plaintiff \$25 for her support during this suit and costs and expenses in maintaining the same. On petition of Kurtz, Ness & Co., plain-

tiffs in execution, against Mary Haeffner, the court appointed A. F. Shenek seques-

The Judge Lectures Them. lecture to the attorneys. He stated that during the morning there had been considerable noise among the members of the bar. He had been informed that one of the tipstaves whose duty it is to keep order, went to several lawyers and told them to keep quiet. One of the party told the tipstave to go to a place that is better than this (and where the sleighing is not nearly as good as here). The court thought that a gentleman would hardly have made a remark of that kind, especially to a man, who was endeavoring to do his duty. They wished, however, to say to the tipstave that hereafter if any attorney shall act in that manner he is to be brought before the court and they

will deal with them as they saw fit. Unclaimed Letters.

Following is a list of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoflice at Lancaster for the week ending December 20: Ladies' List: Maria E. Bell, Florence Elmore, Hattie Evans, Maggie Gearhart, Anna Kreider, Katie Miller, Annie II. Moore, Mrs. Mollie Neff, Eliza Neiman, Sarah E. Shank, Mrs. Mary Shaub, Elizabeth Stine. Gents' List: Fred. E. Bailey, T. J.

Beckwood, John A. Erb, Eby & Gehman, Posquala Eirrio, Michael Fitzpatrick, D. G. Gillette, Joseph Herzberg, G. Samuel Lovering, Rev. Wm. Matthew, L. Bently McCubben, J. II. Morrison, John Nestle-Eugene Pintard, of Parkerville, N. J., roth, Chris. Reedmiller, William Runk, Evin Sawyer, Geo. Suger, Michael Shriner Horace Shoeppe, Johann Sieber (for.), Benjamin Steward, Joseph Tweed, J. R. Wilson, Emanuel Womard.

> In Town John M. Amweg, jr., who has been on the road since August, returned home yesterday. He started out with one of Frank | the time. She was positive that the package Mayo's parties and went with it to Louisville. The troupe stranded there, and Mr. Amweg then joined the Mackaye Sylvester "Flirtation" party. He then came to Philadelphia and for two weeks past has been playing with Kiralfy's "Enchantment party. He will remain in this city for a short time and will then go out as a member of an engineer corps of the Penn-

sylvania railroad company. Charles H. Heckert, formerly local editor of the Examiner, but who has been in Bradford, McKean county, for some time past, is in town. He is looking very well and will remain here but a few days. He is type-setting on the Bradford Era.

THE SNOW STORM

Trains Delayed-Pretty Good Sleighing. The snow which commenced falling yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock has continued with more or less severity up to the present time, attaining a depth of six which necessitated his crossing the wide space in front of the vice president's desk, sleighing to those fond of that mode of letters have been missing between Phila court house, and will recently numerous packages and row on North Duke street opposite the court house, and will recently numerous packages and court house and court house and court house are not court house and court house are not court house and court house and court house are not court house and court house and court house are not court house and court THE Bernhardt takes the war-path. where it was impossible for him to escape travel, and interfering considerably with delphia and Harrisburg. The losses re-

Finger Sitced,

THE DRAMA

Mr. Thomas W. Keene as Richard III: An audience of medium numbers greeted

the first appearance in this city of the tra

gedian Mr. Thos. W. Keene, which occurr

ed at Fulton opera house last night. This

was not as it should have been. Mr. Keene,

though a stranger here, came bearing cre-

dentials that should have given him easy

access to the confidence of our people, and it may be said with truth that his performance justified the abundant promise ularly on the 4th, 10th, 16th and 20th of that preceded his coming. Mr. Keene is an actor of no ordinary power; his Richard bears all the marks of careful and intelligent study, whilst his rendition of the character is frequently illuminated by the proves the spherical form. Is this globe glow of originality and conveys with startling fidelity to the sense of the spectator a portrait of the ill-starred and ambitious Gloster of history. Physi-Mr. Keene's rendition of role of the royal murderer cally the is picturesque and effective. A clever make-up in which the defects and deformities of Richard's person are visible in all their ugliness is supplemented by his thorough command of facial expression, and the workings of Mr. Keene's countenance, the baleful expression of his eyes, distorted wouth and features, serve to aid the conceit and to verily photograph the evil passions constantly contending in the cuming brain and cruel heart of the man of unrighteous life and unhallowed memory. In those passages calling for the exhibition of the powerful physical passions, inordinate rage and consuming fury, no less than in the scenes where the craft and subtlety of Gloster's nature are portrayed, Mr. Keene's work is finished and artistic. It is robust without being ranting, classical without lacking in power. Mr. Keene's voice is always under thorough control and he modulates it to suit the exacting demands of the situation. He can plead with the soft insinuating tone of the hypocrite, or compel with the furious utterance of that Richard to whom Jacob F. Kulp, the oldest citizen of furious utterance of that Richard to whom Pottstown, died the other day, aged 88 remorse and dread were unknown; while his counterfeit presentment of terror in 1812 and voted the Democratic ticket for the tent scene after he has been visited in sixty-seven years. A few months ago, he a dream by the victims of his vengeance being then so feeble as to require constant and ambition was marked by a startling out on his life. No medical examination to the highest tension of excitewas made and his relatives give it out that | ment. Throughout, Mr. Keene's performthey propose to investigate the matter. ance produced a genuine effect, and he They say that Mr. Kulp didn't know of the existence of the policy.

was repeatedly complimented by the heartiest bursts of applause. The support was in most respects satisfactory. Miss Henrietta Vaders is always conscientious in her acting, and on this occasion filled all the requirements of the role of Elizabeth, imbuing the part with the passion and power that a proper reading of the lines calls for. Mrs.Octavia Allen acted well the character of the Duchess of York, but Miss Agnes Keene, who was east as Lady Anne, must overcome the habit of looking and talking like a backward schoolgirl in the passages where very differ-ent traits are looked for. Mr. Frank Roche was quite good as the Duke of Buckingham, and in the last two acts wherein the Earl of Richmond is seen, Mr. Frazer Coulter created a very favorable impression. Miss Grace Roth as the young Prince of Wales was pretty and attractive and is a good actress, and little Katie Everham as the Duke of York found Moon, a satellite of the earth, around early favor with the ladies of the audience which it revolves once in about 28 days, by reason of her winsome ways. As It is a little over \(\) the diameter of the Calesby, Mr. W. J. Hurley was "great," earth, and about \(\) its density. Its orbit and impressed the audience with a due is inclined 5 to the plane of the ecliptic, sense of his commanding importance, and the other nobles were sufficiently distingue

> THE PRISON TROUBLES Criminal Proceedings Against the Late Clerks.

to round out the east to satisfactory pro-

Wm F. Beyer, Esq., has entered before Alderman Wiley criminal complaints against Charles D. Tripple and George A. Tripple, late clerks in the Lancaster county

The first complaint charges Charles D. Tripple with destroying or mutilating the eash-book of the prison for the three years during which he was elerk, from November 30th, 1876, to November 30th, 1879. The complaint is drawn under a special act of assembly providing punishment for such offences.

The second complaint charges Charles D. Tripple and George Λ. Tripple, jointly, with feloniously having stolen, embezzled and appropriated to their own use the sum of \$150 of the county money, which came into their hands between August 3d, 1879, and February 3d, 1880.

The third complaint charges the same defendants, jointly, with having feloniously embezzled and stolen the sum of \$225 between February 3d, 1880, and April 1st, The complaints are sworn to by John

II. Miller, president of the board of prison inspectors, and are made in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the board, December 6th, 1880, instructing Solicitor Beyer to institute criminal proceedings against the above named defendants. The Messrs. Tripple declare that the missing eash book was at the prison when

they left, and make a general denial of the offences charged against them. They allege that the charges have been trumped up against them by political enemi.s.

G. W. HUBLEY'S HEARING

On the Charge of Robbing the Railroad

At noon yesterday George W. Hubley, the arrested pestal route agent on the Pennsylvania railroad between Philadelphia and Harrisburg, was arraigned for his further hearing before U.S. Commissioner Gibbons, charged with the embezzlement of letters and packages from the U. S. mails.

Miss Nellie P. Turner, of Frederick City, testified that she took the package which contained Frank R. Eshleman's Chi Phi badge the postoffice in Mount Joy, and handed it to the son of the postmaster, who was in charge of the office at was well secured, being bound with a piece of string.

Charles E. Reed, a thirteen-year-old lad. son of the postmaster of Mount Joy, testified that he remembered Miss Tarner placing in his hands a package to be mailed, but he was unable to state what the date was. He took the package and placed it in the mail pouch which contained the mail matter for Lancaster.

Postal Inspector Camp testified that when he took Hubbey into custody he found the badge in his possession. The witness asked him where he obtained it. and he at first replied that he found it loose in the mail, while the car was in Philadelphia, afterwards that the car was at Harrisburg, and finally when the witness said, "You stole it, didn't you;" he replied :- "I guess that is the only way that you can put it."

Postal Inspector Barrett testified that Hubley had been employed in the capacity of a postal route agent for several years. ported have been numerous. The com- Lawrence missioner held him in \$2,000 bail to answer at the next term of the United States dis. has taken the Pennsylvania railroad depot trict court.

A Pleasant Party.

The ball given by the Union fire comany equipment association, at Roberts's hall, last evening, was very largely at- in Johnstown, Pa., for the Oct, published tended. The ladies were fair, the gentle- in this city. Tommy has been taking 200 and the enjoyment general.

THE BEAVENS.

Facts of Astronomical Interest.

In his paper before the Star club, at the meeting in Y. M. C. A. hall last evening Mr. J. D. Pyott briefly reviewed the work of last winter's course on the solar system. Beginning at the earliest observations we will suppose ourselves entirely ignorant of the body upon which we live and its relations to others. Is it a plane? Circumnavigation answers that question. Is it cylindrical? Measurement of a degree on different parallels shows a regular decrease from the equator toward the poles, and the circular shadow of the earth in all positions cast upon the moon in eclipses stationary? Manifestly something moveseither the earth or the celestial bodies must revolve every 24 hours on an axis passing through the North Star. The excess of equatorial diameter indicates the axial revolution. Centuries of observation and thought were required to answer the question of orbital motion, but finally the clumsy epicyles were replaced by a simple, natural system with the sun for its centre and the earth as one of his planetary family. The inclination of the axis explains the seasons. Measurement of ares of meridian gives us the earth's size -the diameter being in round numbers 8,000 miles. Its weight is found by testing the attraction exerted by the mass of a mountain upon a suspended weight. Its density is assumed as the unit of comparison with other bodies. The central Sun, 92 millions of miles

from us, a million and a quarter times the rolume of the earth, and one-fourth the density, radiates to all the planets an inflaence, combining light, heat and chemical action, of whose essential nature we know nothing, but without which no form of life known to us could exist. This constant expenditure is maintained partly by the heat evolved by meteoric matter falling upon the sun in immense quantities and at inconceivable velocities, but mainly by contraction of the Sun's mass itself involving the assumption that the true nuclear body of the Sun-is much smaller than the photosphere which is visible to us. This photosphere is of unknown constitution, but is surrounded by a complex atmosphere containing several metals and gases with which we are familiar; outside this is an envelope of glowing hydrogen, and next is the corona, composed of matter which reflects solar light, and extending in a more and more attenuated form to a distance of 80,000,000 miles, visible at certain seasons in the zodiacal light. The axial revolution of this immense body, and also the liquid or gaseous condition of the photosphere, are shown by the spots or openings in the surface; the equatorial portion revolving in 25 days, the polar regions in 28. We also find from these spots that the inclination of the Sun's axis 7½° from perpendicular to the celiptic. Many of these facts have been obtained by spectroscopic observations during eclipses; these are caused by the moon passing between earth and sun and may be either total, annular or partial. A partialeclipse will occur on the last day of this year, between 8 and 9 o'clock in the morning. which will be worthy your observation. The body next in interest to us is our

hence eclipses occur only when the new or full moon occurs when passing her nodes, plane of the Earth's orbit-solar eclipses uals. at new moon, lunar at full moon, when the Earth passes between Moon and Sun. A lunar celipse of great interest will occur on the 12th of next June, which will last several hours, and will pay the observer for losing a night's rest. The Moon has no water and no atmosphere; its surface is covered with cavities that resemble volcanic craters; one or two of these have shown very slight traces of activity by becoming clouded, as though emitting vapor. The agency of the moon is generally credited as the principal cause of the tides, though recent theorists attempt to ac-

period. relations, give us an illustration of the construction of the whole system, and probably of that of the visible universe,

so far as solid bodies are concerned. Having thus briefly sketched the solar system from our standpoint, Mr. Pyott said that from Alpha Centauri, the nearest fixed star, our Sun would be an insignificant variable or nebulous star-the spot periods | society adjourned. causing variations in brilliancy, and the extended corona, if visible at that dis

tance, making it appear nebulous. He concluded by claiming upon the evidence presented the necessity of a superhuman Power who makes no mistakes, and whose laws are as inflexible as they are infallible; and from this deduced as the highest wisdom, first to discover God's physical and moral laws, and then to live in accordance with them. He believed in seeking truth for its own sake, not as a lever to establish or demolish theological or other dogmas; and while doubtful of the general propriety of attempting to extract morals from science, thought it legitimate at least to teach from the celestial phenomena lessons of the ominiscience of God, the insignificance of man as compared with the creation of which he foolishly boasts himself the lord, and the importance in all directions of first observing the facts, then deducing the principles.

BOTELS AND RESTAURANTS.

Some Coming Changes to Take Place. There will quite a number of changes the management of the hotels and restanrants of the city. The following are already known: John Schoenberger, of the Tremont

charge of Excelsior hall, East King street. take the Golden Horse hotel, East King street, now in charge of Fred. Workele. Fred. Weehrle will take the Tremont notel—so the three above named land!ords

hotel, North Queen street, will take

merely exchange places. Harry Trewitz will take charge of Sprenger's saloon, North Queen street, now in charge of Edw. Wiley. Edward Wiley will take the Lancaster County house, East King street, now in

Wm. H. Deichler will take charge of the new restaurant on Grant street in rear of the Leopard hotel. B. F. Slough, of the Black Horse hotel, North Queen street, removes to the Sorre Horse, West King street.

charge of Wm. II. Deichler.

John Slough assumes entire control the Black Horse. Mrs. J. A. Sprenger has leased the Action brewery, Locust street, and we understand intends to add to it a refrigera-

tor brewing apperatus. Samuel A. Groff has leased Sprecher's John Sides, late of the Merrimac house,

restaurant (late Owen Hopple's) and has made extensive improvements in It. Come to firlet Thomas H. Engle, of Altoona, is agent

copies; but on Saturday he took too much four days' imprisonment in the lock-up, in default of payment of the line assessed.

OUR SCIENTISTS.

Annual Linuwan Meeth Agreeably to previous notice, the an-nual meeting of the Linnaan society was held on Saturday, the 18th of December, instead of Saturday, the 25th, as it was deemed impolitic to interfere with private festal arrangements, President Prof. Stahr in the chair. Dr. J. H. Dubbs was appointed secretary pro tem. Six members and four visitors present. The proceedings of the last meeting having been published, their reading was omitted. After the usual preliminary business the following donations were made to the museum and library :

Museum, 1. A most magnificent adult sp of the "American Skunk" (Niphitis Americanus), purchased by the curators from two citizens of Martie who caught it in a "dead fall" trap the night previous. It was therefore not only in good condition, but was altogether free from the usual disagreeable stench of the animal, artistically stuffed and mounted by Mr. Geo. Hensel.

2. A fine large specimen of carbonate of lime impregnated with octahedral Iron Pyrites, from Lehigh county, Pa., donated by Master James Munsen, of this city.

3. A bottle containing thirteen specimens of the "Horned Fungus Beetle" (Bolitophagus cornutus) sent by some unknown person by mail to the curators of the society.

4. Prof. J. C. had on exhibition a speci men of Tuckahoe or "Indian bread, found under ground, near the base of a tree, in Rockingham county, Virginia, and sent by Mr. G. C. Kennedy to the Diagnothian society of Franklin and Marshall college. Its form is an oblong oval slightly compressed, about eight inches long and the same in its largest circumference. There are no surface indications of its presence; in this respect its habit being similar to the truffle; but the Truffle is a fungus, whereas this is a tuber, or rather a groundnut, remotely resembling the "vegetable ivory," and is edible. The external surface is similar to that of a cocoanut. although not so smooth and spherical.

Library. 1. Nine volumes of the Second Geologial Survey of Pennsylvania, from the state department at Harrisburg. Five of these were descriptive volumes, and four portfolios of maps, in book form and size, to correspond with the general issue.
2. Nos. 21, 22, 23 and 24 of the Official

Fatent Office Gazette, from the interior partment at Washington, D. C. 3. The Lancaster Farmer for Dece 4. One envelope, containing thirteen historical and biographical scraps by S. S.

Rathvon. 5. Two catalogues of scientific and miscellaneous books from publishing houses.

6. Eight pamphlets and circulars of mis-

ellaneous literature. 7. A lithograph of Oil City, Venange ounty, Pa., from a drawing made by the late Jacob Stauffer. 8. Doctor Dubbs had on exhibition an interesting collection of foreign and Amer-ican illustrations of heraldic emblems, mottoes, tokens, coats-of-arms, &c., both ancient and modern; a few of these fac-

similes, but the larger number genuine. These of as Ex Libris, or "book-plates," and furnish a very perfect illustration of the history of art, besides other interesting information relating to the histories of families, in appearance and martial in bearing or the points where her path intersects the associations, corporations and individ-Papers Read.

1. S. S. Rathvon read a paper on the peculiarities of skunks in general, and on local species in particular.

2. Dr. J. H. Dubbs read a paper on Ex Libris" or book-plates, which he ilillustrated by collection on exhibition. 3. The treasurer read the annual report from which it appears that there is a bal-

ance in the treasury of \$6,59. The chairman read the annual report of the curators, from which it appears that nearly two thousand specimens have been added to the museum during the year 1880 count for them otherwise. She always and to the library two hundred and eightyturns the same face towards the Earth, re-volving on her axis in the same 28-day and circulars, of which fifty-two were bound volumes. Also four hundred and These three bodies, their motions and forty-one biographical and historical

New Business The curators presented bills amounting to \$10.55, which were ordered to be paid. On motion it was resolved that the election of officers be postponed until the January meeting, 1881. After the usual social intercourse the

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Events Across the County Lines. E. Hardy, a four-year-old child, was burned to death in Coatesville. During the temporary absence of the faraily the child commenced playing with the fire and set fire to its clothes, and the child was soon enveloped in flames. Before it could be rescued the little one was burned almost

There is a house situated in Delaware,

Maryland and Pennsylvania. People can sit at the same dinner table with their chairs resting in three different states. The Ringgold and Emaus furnaces, owned by the Reading coal and iron company, have been leased, and are being repaired prior to going into blast.

Lemuel Gilbert of Steelton, has died very suddenly from coagulation of blood in

to a crisp,

The Ohlinger dam, for Reading's water supply, supposed to have a capacity of 100,000,000 gallons is finished. It covers 18 acres and at one place is 65 feet deep.
George W. Welsh, of Reading, cadetmidshipman on board the United States take place on or before the 1st of April in flagship Trenton, Mediterranean squadron, now on a three years' cruise, was taken ill with cystitis about three months ago at Villa Franca, and was removed to

the British hospital at Smyrna. At the Reading passenger depot on Saturday, pusher engine No. 27, from the treet.

Eugene Bauer, of Excelsior hall, will the direction of the P. & R. depot, while at the same time the locomotive ter," drawing the Reading & Columbia freight train, started out from the depot and the engineer being unable to see the pusher until too late, a collision occurred. The hands on both engines jumped for their lives, and the engines struck with great force. The locomotive "Lancaster" mounted the pusher, and both engines were badly damaged. The tracks were spread, and although no cars were piled

> Felt on the Ice. Yesterday afternoon as a little daughter

up, a blockade occurred.

of C. D. McCaskey, aged of years, was re-turning from school, she slipped on the ice on North Queen street and, falling struck her forehead against the sharp corner of a marble step cutting a gash in her forehead nearly two inches in length. Dr. Carpenter closed the wound.

Close of College. Franklin and Marshall closed at 10 holidays. It will reopen on the 6th of January, when the opening address will be delivered by Prof. Wm. M. Nevin.

Mr. Edward Wilhelm, a cigarmaker, now working for Henry L. Stehman & Co., last week made forty-eight hundred eigars out and out, and that, tco, by working twelve hours per day.

Sheriff's Sales, opies; but on Saturday he took too much poison" and he has been senteaced to the sale of several properties by the sheriff on January 8, the anniversary of the bat-

tle of New Orleans.